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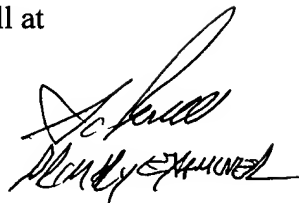
The reply filed on 6/23/00 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Applicant's election explicitly does not include the election of independent claim 10, but does include the election of claims dependant thereon. If independent claim 10 is not elected, then the claims dependent thereon cannot be examined. Clarification is required.

In addition, applicant is required to submit a copy of the discussed preliminary amendment along with evidence that it was submitted to the PTO prior to the first office action. The file presently does not include a preliminary amendment, and does not present any claims beyond claim 43.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Sam Rimell at telephone number (703) 306-5626.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Rimell", with a stylized flourish underneath.